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## GENERAL INDUSTRY SAFETY STANDARDS COMMISSION MEETING

January 10, 2007--9:30 A.M.

STATE SECONDARY COMPLEX, 7150 HARRIS DRIVE, LANSING  
GENERAL OFFICE BUILDING, CONFERENCE ROOM B

### MINUTES

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Thomas Pytlik  
Mr. Dennis Emery  
Mr. Dwayne Betcher

Mr. George Reamer  
Mr. Jeffrey Radjewski

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mr. William Borch

Mr. Karl Heim

#### **DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL PRESENT:**

Mr. John Brennan, Division Director GISHD  
Ms. Eva Hatt, Safety & Health Manager GISDH  
Ms. Christine Hundt, Standards Section  
Ms. Marsha Parrott-Boyle, Program Manager  
Standards Section

Mr. John Peck, Acting Deputy Director,  
MIOSHA  
Mr. Bart Pickelman, GISHD  
Mr. Ron Ray, Acting Director, Management  
and Technical Services Division

#### **VISITORS ATTENDING:**

Tycho Fredericks, Western Michigan University

#### MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF THE GENERAL INDUSTRY SAFETY STANDARDS COMMISSION IS TO PROVIDE THE LEADERSHIP AND VISION NECESSARY TO ENSURE A SAFE WORK ENVIRONMENT FOR THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN.

THE COMMISSION INVOLVES EMPLOYEES AND EMPLOYERS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF SAFETY STANDARDS AS IT ENDEAVORS TO CONTINUALLY EXAMINE AND IMPROVE THOSE STANDARDS FOR PURPOSE, CLARITY, APPLICABILITY, ENFORCEABILITY, AND COST EFFECTIVENESS.

OUR VISION IS TO BE A RECOGNIZED LEADER IN SAFETY FOR THE WORK ENVIRONMENT FOR THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN BY INCORPORATING THE CHANGING NEEDS OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND METHODS INTO OUR STANDARDS.

**Agenda Item #1--Call to Order and Roll Call**

The January 10, 2007 General Industry (GI) Safety Standards Commission meeting was called to order by Chairperson Pytlik. A roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

**Agenda Item #2—Approval of Minutes for October 11, 2006**

A motion was made by Commissioner Betcher and was seconded by Commissioner Emery to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2006 Commission meeting.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Agenda Item #3--Standards Section Update—Marsha Parrott-Boyle**

Marsha Parrott-Boyle reviewed with the commissioners the MIOSHA Strategic Goals for FY04-08. MIOSHA is in the early planning stages of the next five-year Strategic Plan. Commissioners will have an opportunity to have input on the next strategic plan cycle. Ms. Parrott-Boyle reviewed the backlog summary of standards currently underway and those awaiting revision and their order of priority in detail.

**Agenda Item #4--Old Business**

**A. Ergonomics Advisory Committee Update--Tycho Fredericks**

Ms. Parrott-Boyle reviewed Ergonomic Standard history. She reported that the ergonomics advisory committee is continuing its work on appendices and developing recommendations for other educational resources. A copy of the committee roster, latest draft of standard, and the Ergonomics Standard Advisory Committee Guidelines were provided to the commissioners. Commissioners will be emailed a schedule of upcoming meetings.

Mr. Tycho Fredericks directed the commissioners' attention to the handout on Ergonomics Standards Advisory Committee Guidelines that outlined the joint commission's recommendations that the proposed standard amongst other criteria be simple, no more than eight pages in length, and that the committee think out of the box.

Mr. Fredericks reviewed Draft #15 dated June 15, 2006 of Ergonomics in General Industry. This draft is the product of 25 meetings of the advisory committee. He pointed out that the draft standard has no injury trigger, requires training, and deals with assessing and responding to injuries.

He noted that the Ergonomics Standard Advisory Committee for Appendices and Other Educational Resources has drafted an appendix that begins with examples of risk factors. He also noted that this committee has a wide range of technical and industrial representation.

**Agenda Item #5--New Business**

**A. GI Part 76--Spray Finishing and Dip Tanks**

Mr. Bart Pickelman of the General Industry Safety and Health Division spoke to the commission regarding the revision of GI Safety Standard Spray Finishing and Dip Tanks GI Part 76. Spray Finishing is currently covered by two MIOSHA standards: GI Part 76 and OH Spray Finishing Operations Part 528. Mr. Pickelman recommended consolidating OH Part 528 and GI Part 76 and adopting the Federal OSHA 1910.107 and 94(c) standards by reference. Combining the two standards will be the cheapest and quickest approach and will fix the overlap of standards and correct other out of date issues. It will create a simpler standard for employers and make the MIOSHA standard as effective as the Federal standards. The dip tanks portion of GI 76 would be moved to Occupational Health Standard Part 526 Dipping and Coating Operations.

A motion was made by Commissioner Emery and was seconded by Commissioner Radjewski to consolidate GI Part 76 and OH Part 528. Spray Finishing and move Dipping and Coating to OH Part 526. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**B. Election of 2007 Chairperson and Vice Chairperson**

Ms. Parrott-Boyle facilitated the annual election for Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for calendar year 2007.

A motion was made by Commissioner Radjewski and was seconded by Commissioner Pytlik to nominate Commissioner Betcher as Chairperson of the General Industry Safety Standards Commission for 2007. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Pytlik and was seconded by Commissioner Reamer to nominate Commissioner Emery as Vice Chairperson of the General Industry Safety Standards Commission for 2007. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Congratulations were made to both candidates and appreciation of their service was expressed.

**Agenda Item #6--General Industry Safety and Health Division Update—John Brennan, Director**

Mr. John Brennan informed the Commissioners that in 2006 there were 26 fatalities under the GI jurisdiction. Mr. Brennan stated that there were five additional fatalities since the last commission meeting. These fatalities are listed on the MIOSHA Fatality Investigation Report for 2006 that was distributed to the commission. Fatalities can also viewed on OSHA's website.

Mr. Brennan informed the commission that the GI Safety and Health Manager position had been filled by Mike Mason. The General Industry Safety and Health Division currently has 27 Safety Compliance Officers, 22 Health Compliance Officers and 2 Field Investigators with the Employee Discrimination Section.

Mr. Brennan also updated the commission on the Division's progress towards relevant strategies and performance goals, special new initiatives, and partnerships/alliances.

**Agenda Item #7--MIOSHA Update—John Peck, Acting Deputy Director**

Mr. John Peck gave the commission an update on MIOSHA activities that includes a video contest entitled, "Extreme Safety" targeting teens that know about workplace safety hazards and how to avoid them. He distributed a news release regarding Maco Concrete. Maco Concrete was issued citations with proposed penalties totaling \$103,600 for allegedly failing to adequately protect employees from trenching and excavation hazards. These hazards did lead to the death of one employee. Mr. Peck also spoke about the 2005 Annual Report on Traumatic Work-Related Fatalities in Michigan and the 2005 OSHAPA Report on Grassroots Workplace Protection.

**Agenda Item #8--OSHA Update--Cynthia Hutchens-Smith, Lansing Area Director**

Ms. Hutchens-Smith was unable to attend the meeting.

**Agenda Item #9—Review Meeting Schedule for 2007**

The commissioners received a meeting schedule for 2007. The next meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2007 at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids in conjunction with the Michigan Safety Conference. Details and further information will be sent.

**Agenda Item #10--Public Comment**

None.

**Agenda Item #11--Adjournment**

A motion was made by Commissioner Reamer and was seconded by Commissioner Radjewski that with no further business before the Commission, the meeting be adjourned. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Mr. Thomas Pytlik, Chairperson

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Date